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In the Claims

Claims 1-36 are canceled.

37(Currently Amended).

A compound of Formula I

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{4} & R^{3} \\
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R^{5} & N & R^{2} \\
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R^{5} & R^{1}
\end{array}$$

wherein

a and b are independently 0 or 1;

m is independently 0,1 or 2;

Rl is:

- 1) C2-C6 alkenyl,
- C2-C6 alkynyl, 2)
- C₁-C₈ alkyl, 3)
- (C=O)NRaRb, 4)
- $(C=O)R^{c}$, 5)
- (C=O)ORc, or 6)
- heterocyclyl, said heterocyclyl is substituted with at least one substituent 7) selected from:
 - C0-C6 alkyl-(C=O)NRaRb, a)
 - **b**) C₀-C₆ alkyl-SO_mRd,
 - Co-C6 alkyl-CO2Rc, c)
 - d) C₁-C₆ alkyl-ORc,
 - C₁-C₆ alkyl-NR^aR^b, and e)
 - f) C0-C6 alkyl-(C=O)-C0-C6 alkyl-ORc;

R², R³ and R⁵ are hydrogen;

R4 is selected from:

- 1) C₆₋₁₀ aryl,
- 2) C5-10 heterocyclyl, provided that R4 is not pyrididonyl,

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said aryl and heterocyclyl optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from Rb;

Ra and Rb independently are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) C₁-C₆ alkyl,
- 3) C2-C6 alkenyl,
- 4) C2-C6 alkynyl,
- 5) C3-C10 cycloalkyl,
- 6) C_{6-10} aryl,
- 7) C₅₋₁₀ heterocyclyl,
- 8) C_0 - C_6 alkyl-(C=0)NRaRb,
- 9) Co-C6 alkyl-SO_mRd,
- 10) Co-C6 alkyl-CO2Rc,
- 11) Co-C6 alkyl-ORc,
- 12) Co-C6 alkyl-NRaRb, and
- 13) Co-C6 alkyl-(C=O)-Co-C6 alkyl-ORc,

said alkyl, aryl and heterocyclyl are optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from Rd,

and wherein, when $R^{\underline{a}}$ and $R^{\underline{b}}$ are attached to a nitrogen within this definition, $R^{\underline{a}}$ and $R^{\underline{b}}$ are each independently selected from:

- a) <u>H</u>,
- b) unsubstituted or substituted C1-C6 alkyl,
- c) <u>unsubstituted or substituted C3-C10 cycloalkyl;</u>

Rc independently is:

- 1) H,
- 2) Uunsubstituted or substituted C1-C6 alkyl,
- 3) Uunsubstituted or substituted C2-C6 alkenyl,
- 4) Uunsubstituted or substituted C2-C6 alkynyl,
- 5) Uunsubstituted or substituted C3-C10 cycloalkyl,
- 6) Uunsubstituted or substituted C6-10 aryl, or
- 7) Uunsubstituted or substituted C5-10 heterocyclyl;

said substitution being at least one substituent selected from Rb;

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Rd independently is:

- 1) Uunsubstituted or substituted C1-C6 alkyl,
- 2) <u>Uu</u>substituted or substituted C2-C6 alkenyl,
- 3) Uusubstituted or substituted C2-C6 alkynyl,
- 4) Uusubstituted or substituted C3-C10 cycloalkyl,
- 5) Uusubstituted or substituted C6-10 aryl, or
- 6) Uusubstituted or substituted C5-10 heterocyclyl;

said substitution being at least one substituent selected from Rb;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

38(Previously Presented). The compound of claim 37, wherein R⁴ is aryl, which is optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from R^b; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

39(Previously Presented). A compound selected from:

6-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;
6-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid;
6-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid amide;
6-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carbonitrile;
ethyl 5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinate;
5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinamide;
N-ethyl-5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinamide;
N-cyclopropyl-5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl) pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinamide;
5-[6-(3-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a] pyrimidin-3-yl]-N-methylnicotinamide;
N-ethyl-5-[6-(3-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a] pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinamide;
5-[6-(3-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a] pyrimidin-3-yl]-N-propylnicotinamide;
N-cyclopropyl-5-(6-pyridin-4-ylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl)nicotinamide;
N-propyl-5-(6-pyridin-4-ylpyrazolo[1,5-a] pyrimidin-3-yl)nicotinamide;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

40(Previously Presented). The compound according to claim 39 selected from: 5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]-N-methylnicotinamide

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

41(Previously Presented). The compound according to claim 39 selected from: N-ethyl-5-[6-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]nicotinamide

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

42(Previously Presented). The compound according to claim 39 selected from: N-cyclopropyl-5-(6-pyridin-4-ylpyrazolo [1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl)nicotinamide

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

43(Previously Presented). A pharmaceutical composition which is comprised of a compound in accordance with claim 37 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.